

IN THE CLAIMS:

Sup
1. (Previously Presented) An image display apparatus comprising:
an image display device driven in a continuous light-emitting
mode, for displaying an image;
a shield member including a light transmitting portion and a light
intercepting portion, capable of shutting off an image displayed by the
image display device, for a constant period; and
a driven mechanism for driving the shield member in
synchronization with display of the image by the image display device so
as to switch between the light transmitting portion and the light
intercepting portion of the shield member.

2. (Currently Amended) The image display apparatus of claim [1] 5,
wherein the image display device is a transmission-type liquid crystal
panel, and

the shield member mechanically intercepts back light applied to
the transmission-type liquid crystal panel for a constant period.

3. (Currently Amended) The image display apparatus of claim [1] 5,
wherein the image display device is a transmission-type liquid crystal
panel, and the shield member mechanically intercepts light transmitted
from the transmission-type liquid crystal panel for a constant period.

4. (Currently Amended) The image display apparatus of claim [1] 5, wherein the image display device is a reflection-type liquid crystal panel, and

the shield member mechanically intercepts light reflected from the reflection-type liquid crystal panel for a constant period.

5. (Currently Amended) An image display apparatus comprising:
an image display device driven in a continuous light-emitting
mode, for displaying an image;

a shield member including a light transmitting portion and a light
intercepting portion, capable of shutting off an image displayed by the
image display device, for a constant period; and

a driven mechanism for driving the shield member in
synchronization with display of the image by the image display device so
as to switch between the light transmitting portion and the light
intercepting portion of the shield member, wherein the shield member is
an endless belt comprising light transmitting portions and light
intercepting portions, which are alternately disposed.

6. (Original) The image display apparatus of claim 1, wherein the
image display device is a liquid crystal projection device for magnifying

and projecting light transmitted by the transmission-type liquid crystal panel, and

the shield member collects back light and changes a irradiation position of the back light so as to be moved away from the transmission-type liquid crystal panel, to mechanically shut off irradiation of the back light for a constant period.

7. (Currently Amended) The image display apparatus of claim [1] 5, wherein the image display device carried out image display in synchronization with a vertical sync signal having a constant cycle; and

the drive mechanism drives the shield member in synchronization with the vertical sync signal to carry out the shutting off of the image for the constant period.

8. (Original) The image display apparatus of claim 1, wherein the shield member comprises a liquid crystal optical shutter comprising a liquid crystal having a high response speed characteristic.

9. (Previously Presented) The image display apparatus of claim 1, wherein the shield member shuts off an image display between frames.

10. (Previously Presented) The image display apparatus of claim 8, wherein said liquid crystal optical shutter intercepts light applied to said image display device.

11. (Previously Presented) The image display apparatus of claim 8, wherein said liquid crystal optical shutter intercepts light transmitted from said image display device.

12. (Previously Presented) The image display apparatus of claim 10, wherein said image display device is a reflection-type display device.

13. (Previously Presented) The image display apparatus of claim 9, wherein said image display device is a projection panel.
